

A background image showing two hands in white sleeves carefully placing a wooden block onto a bridge structure made of other wooden blocks. The bridge is supported by two pillars of blocks. The scene is set against a plain white background.

Building bridges: the cooperation of Polish academic libraries

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Cooperation of libraries

Common effort of two or more libraries to share their resources, experience and knowledge for providing better services to their users



[CO] - operation

philanthropist
coop·er·age (-ij) *n.* 1 the work of cooper 2 *a*) the work of price charged for such work
co·oper·ate or **co-op** (ā't) *vi.* --at'ed, --at'ing [*pp.* of *cooperari*, to work with + *operari*, to work (*operis*), work; see *OPUS*] together

sporting and...
rably in his writing about climbing
coalface /koo'fæsi/ *coalfaces*. In a coal mine, the coalface is the part where the coal is being cut out of the rock.
coalfield /koo'fild/ *coalfields*. A coalfield is a region where there is coal under the ground. The park lies on top of a coalfield.
coalition /koo'əlɪʃən/ *coalitions*
1 A **coalition** is a government consisting of people from two or more political parties. Since June the country has had a coalition government... It took five months for the coalition to agree on and publish a medium-term economic programme.
2 A **coalition** is a group consisting of people from different political or social groups who are cooperating to achieve a particular aim. He had been... a coalition of about 50 civil r... organizations.

swell
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or
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COLIC (kol'ik), *n.* acute spasm pain in the abdomen or bowels
COLISEUM, see colosseum.
COLLABORATE (ko-lab'o-rat), to work jointly, especially in literary or scientific work.
COLLABORATION (-o-ra'shun), united labour.
COLLABORATOR (-lab'o-rat), one who assists another in literary or scientific work.
COLLAPSE

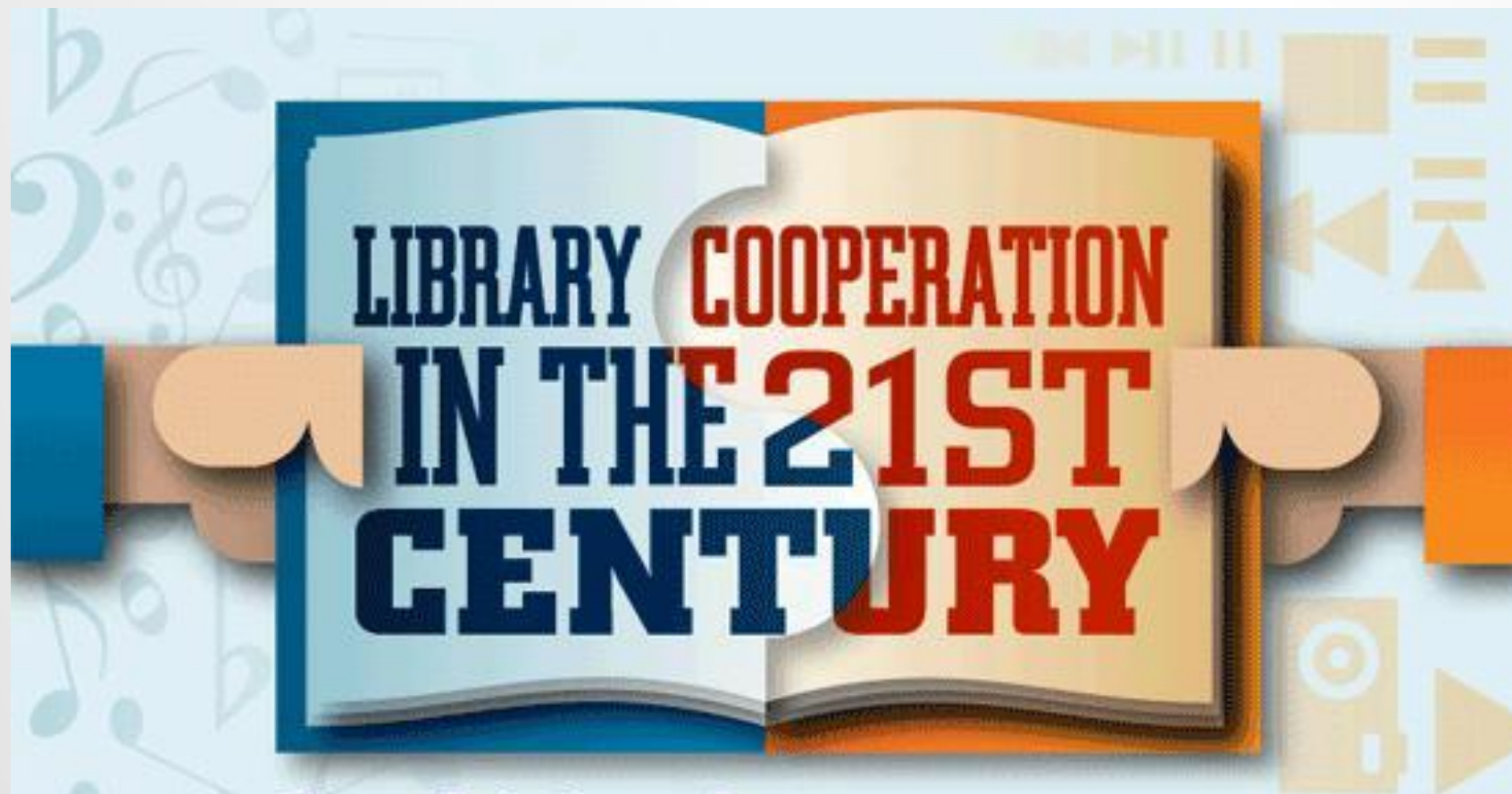
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way, but talks in another
con·sor·tium /kən's
tia /-tiə *US: -ʃiə/*)
number of powers,
common purpose:

Variety of levels and forms



Libraries collaboration may be formal and informal, local, state, and regional, national and international.

It can be based on voluntary agreements among two or more libraries or it can be imposed on libraries by library law or by local or central government that finances libraries.



Three examples of cooperation among Polish academic libraries

- NUKAT - shared cataloging project
- BiblioWawa - borrowing program for Warsaw academic libraries
- Directors of Polish Academic Libraries' Conference





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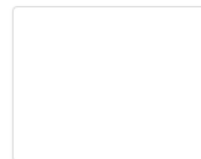
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Zientara, Benedykt (1928-1983).

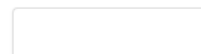
Publication Kraków : Wydawnictwo Avalon, 2013.

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2.



Przemysł II : odnowiciel korony polskiej : (1257-1296) / Bronisław Nowacki.

Nowacki, Bronisław (1943-).

NUKAT in numbers

Shared cataloging in NUKAT union database may be joined by any research library and in selected cases...

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6 514 137

authority records

4 216 069

bibliographic records

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NUKAT member libraries

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Collective strength and effectiveness of a group of libraries is greater than that of the sum of libraries belonging to the group

Information needs of users have increased so much during last decades that single library is not sufficient

Library consortia – why?





- Collaboration within NUKAT helps in standardization of cataloging formats, policies, procedures and practices among cooperating libraries and in achieving better understanding of collection management and development practices.
- Exchanging of experience and best practices gives the possibility of bringing together diverse ideas and issues and discuss them.

Barriers and difficulties



Institutional: desire for autonomy in libraries can be stronger than the desire to cooperate

Psychological: personal needs can take priority over system needs

Resource sharing or shared cataloging can be viewed as a threat to status and job security

BiblioWawa - reciprocal borrowing program

- The program provides the Warsaw academic community with convenient access to circulating library resources of the cooperating libraries
- Designed for full-time and extramural undergraduate and postgraduate students, students of postgraduate diploma courses and for academic staff
- The users have right to borrow library materials from all libraries cooperating in the program and have individual library accounts which entitles the user to borrow the host library materials. Borrowers are responsible for complying with all rules of the library from which they are borrowing.

Libraries cooperating in the program

- University of Warsaw Library
- Main Library of the Warsaw University of Technology
- Main Library of the Medical University of Warsaw
- Main Library of the Military University of Technology
- Main Library of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw
- Main Library of the Maria Grzegorzewska University
- Library of the Józef Piłsudski University of Physical Education

BiblioWawa as a interlibrary lending program



A blurred background image of a person in a light-colored shirt sitting at a desk, typing on a laptop. To the right of the laptop is a stack of papers or folders, and a pen lies on the desk surface. The overall lighting is warm and soft.

RESOURCE SHARING

Directors of Polish Academic Libraries' Conference

The goals of the organisation:

- presenting opinions and positions on matters pertaining to libraries,
- undertaking activities integrating the university libraries,
- supporting initiatives to improve roles and functions of the university libraries,
- representing the interests of employees of university libraries,
- care for the social prestige of the librarian's profession and an employee of scientific information.

Let's build bridges!



A photograph showing two hands, one from the left and one from the right, both wearing white long-sleeved shirts. The hands are positioned to place a single wooden block onto a bridge-like structure made of other wooden blocks. The bridge is formed by two vertical stacks of blocks on either side, with a horizontal row of blocks connecting them. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

Thank you for your attention!

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